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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	71383	Agenda Number	17.
Meeting Date:	6/15/2017		Department:	Neighborhood Housing and Community Development
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the City of Round Rock, City of Pflugerville, Travis County, Williamson County, Housing Authority of the City of Austin, Housing Authority of Travis County, Housing Authority of the City of Georgetown, Housing Authority of the City of Round Rock, Housing Authority of the City of Taylor, and the Housing Authority of the City of Granger related to conducting a regional assessment of fair housing.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	<p>April 11, 2013 – Council approved Resolution 20130411-014 authorizing the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County to allow the City of Austin to develop and manage a solicited contract to conduct a Housing Market Study and an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice Study.</p>			
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

A jurisdiction that receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must create an assessment of fair housing (“Assessment”). The Assessment reviews barriers to fair housing choice in the public and private sectors of the jurisdiction and examines how a jurisdiction can address impediments. When a new Assessment is required, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department (NHCD) solicits a contract to conduct the Assessment.

The Assessment is used to create Five-Year Consolidated Plans, which must be submitted to HUD. A Five-Year Consolidated Plan includes a jurisdiction's needs assessment, market analysis, and a strategic plan to address the community’s priority needs for the five year period. The City is required to create a new Five-Year Consolidated Plan for fiscal years 2019 through 2024.

If approved, the NHCD will negotiate with the other governmental entities to execute an interlocal agreement that will allow the City to develop and manage a solicited contract to conduct a regional Assessment. The interlocal agreement will also allow the parties to apportion financial contributions. Once the solicitation is complete, NHCD will return to Council to request approval for the contract.